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Automotive Rentals, Inc.,

Opposer,

v.

Balbina Taguines,

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91203201

Application Serial No. 85/366,857

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW AS REGISTRANT'S ATTORNEY

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 2.19 and 10.40, Registrant's counsel, Owens Tarabichi LLP, requests permission to withdraw from representing Applicant in this opposition proceeding. Good cause exists for the request to withdraw because Applicant has both discharged Owens Tarabichi LLP as counsel and because Applicant has breached her engagement agreement with Owens Tarabichi LLP by failing to make herself available to confer with counsel. As such, Owens Tarabichi LLP is required to withdraw as counsel.

Moreover, Registrant's engagement agreement with Owens Tarabichi LLP permits Owens Tarabichi LLP to withdraw as counsel upon a failure to make himself available to meet and confer with counsel. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 10.40(c)(1)(iv) and (vi), counsel may withdraw when its client "renders it unreasonably difficult for the practitioner to carry out the employment effectively."

Furthermore, Owens Tarabichi LLP has taken reasonable steps to avoid foreseeable prejudice to the rights of Applicant by providing Applicant with notice of its intent to file the instant withdrawal. Moreover, we understand that, should this request be granted, the Board will suspend proceedings to allow Applicant to find new counsel or file a paper stating that she

intends to represent herself. Finally, all papers relating to this proceeding to which Applicant is entitled have been delivered to him.

As such, Owens Tarabichi LLP respectfully requests that the Board permit it to withdraw as Applicant's counsel. Applicant's contact information is Balbina Taguines, 4701 Mohamed Oaks Ct., Sacramento, CA 95841, arttaguines@yahoo.com.

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Respectfully submitted,



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